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Chapter 78: Encouragement of Infidelity





The number 20
doesn't get to
enter the bench
at the Koshien.

Shf

I have
to work
harder.



And based on
your results,
you received the
number 20.
It's awesome!



It's
not.



Wasn't
Ishida come
for today's
morning
practice?

Ah, good
morning,
Coach.



Is that
something
from
"Dokuben"
again?



I learned it
from a high school
baseball manga
competition
"Dai Koshien".





GOOD MORNING





Alright Steve.
Throw it as hard as
you can.



I wonder if
Shutoku-san
would feel
pained if he
saw this...?



You're
worned up
enough.
Teehee, sit
down.

Y- Yes.



Is he
seriously
going to
let Steve
practice
pitching?



You've
been
playing it
easy all
day with John,
right?



But the
way you
would
through
a Frisbee.

A
Frisbee?









What's up with this pitch?
...It's very hard to catch!



ALRIGHT,
ONE
MORE
TIME,
STEVE!!



The third
redoon?

It looks
like Toshio
noticed it.



The first reason
Katagawa-san laid
his eyes on Steve
was that he's a
southerner....

The
second reason
was that his feet
are huge, giving
him results that
normally would be
achieved through
hard training....



And the
third
reason
is...!!



Oh? But
if he's going
to use his
height,
shouldn't he
pitch from
high up...!!



Yeah.
This way
he makes
use of his
height.



Wow... Doesn't he
use to pitch from
higher up in the
past? Did you
have him change
to a side arm
pitch?





I realized
it when I saw
him pitch the
Pino shoe. He
doesn't fully
use his body.



Naturally, he's
been brought up in
a culture where
a good pitcher
is one who knows
powerful, Fast
pitchers. And
then his size is
a factor too.

Some loves
Japan, but he's
an American.



But, contrary to
expectations, his
huge body, with long
legs and arms,
proved to be a
disadvantage.

Naturally, he's
also been trying to
throw Fast pitches
from high up with
all his strength.



But at that time his long arm is still behind his body...

His body isn't strong enough yet, so if he gets overexcited trying to throw a Fast pitch, his axis warps and his center of mass shifts forward too much.

A disadvantage... Why...?



Such forced movements can also lead to an injury.

If he does that, naturally he can't give sufficient speed to the ball.

In that state, in order to swing the arm forward, he has to forcefully stop the action of his forward-leaning body and halt the shift in the center of mass.



There is little
need to worry
of him throwing
forward too
much now.

That's why,
in order to prevent
useless shifts in
the center of mass,
I had him swing
his arm from
the side.



In addition, his
long fingers give
the ball a special
break.



Just
because
he's so
tall, the
ball is high
enough
even with
a side arm
pitch.



Break?



I see!

This
break was
the third
reason...!



The Frisbee, of course,
was there so his body
memorizes the side and
pitching form. It was
also to strengthen
his wrist.

I had him run
all the time
ever since
winter to build
up his body.

*It's amazing...
Back then, after
catching only two of
Steve's pitches, he was
able to think this far...!*



*And that
outside
to inside
catching
practice*

*It would
come in
handy when
catching a
pitch like
this...*









In this world,
there are no
guys more
feminine than
pitchers!

Sigh.
The
reason
is...



Like hell
it's the catcher
who is the wife.
Pitchers are far
more womanly!



They do as they
please. They're
selfish. If they
win, it's thanks
to them, if they
lose, it's the
catcher's fault!

And yet, when
in a pinch, they
get that clinging
look in their
eyes that
screams
"help me!"







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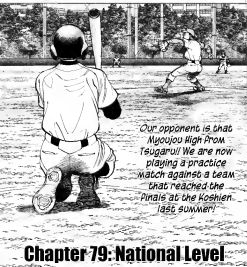
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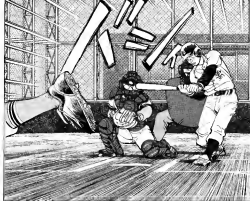
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*As Coach Katagaya
planned, we've finally
secured a practice
match against
a champion school.*



*Our opponent is that
Myoujou High from
Tsugaru! We are now
playing a practice
match against a team
that reached the
Finals at the Koshien
last summer!*

Chapter 79: National Level



It's toward
the end of
the game,
but his speed
isn't dropping
at all!



**STRIKE
OUT!!**



That's the
national second
place pitcher
Per goo.

True, he's a good
pitcher... But
he's a high
schooler just like
us!! It's not like
he's so good-we
can't even touch
him!!



Besides,
we are...
winning!!

一	二	三	四	五	六	七	八	九	十	計	得点
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	2
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1

計	得点
2	1

TEAM	一	二
SAIGAKU	2	0
MYOUJOU	1	0

If we get an additional run there, we might win against Tsuguru Nyojoui!



We could go to two outs, a runner on second, the cleanup up at bat...



But when this game was set up, you were actually angry, saying what if we lose big against this champion school right before the spring tournament.





I've heard
how that girl set
up this practice
match, but...
Who could a large
manufacturer
employee like her
be plotting?



It's
magician's
choice
time!

Aright,
I'll try
to see
it out!

But the
break of
his sliders
is getting
worse...

Like
Ooi-san
said, his
fastballs
are really
fast!



They're probably thinking that I got the timing on their Fastball down.

But, in my previous at bat, I got a good hit on it and Pouted is off toward the first base.

Data Item number 1. Mycojor's battery has always started me with a Fastball until now.



That's why they'll have to pitch a breaking ball!

Based on the above data, the battery must think that I'm aiming for a Fastball.



Number 2. I stood toward the back of the batter's box.



Data item number 3. I shortened my grip on the bat.







*Even though
I tried so hard to
make them believe
I was aiming for
a Fastball...!!*



*If only they
could hold
out until
Takeshi...*

*Looks
like no
more
runs
for us.*



*The
opponent
was a little
bit better
than you.*

*Unfort-
unate,
wasn't
it?*



*Why...?
How
did they
base their
decision
to pitch a
Fastball
on...?*





Don't play defense while dragging along the emotions from the batter's bat!



Yes.



Switch over, Yoshio.



They're not...

Although maybe they're being a bit slack, since this is a practice match...



Everyone is amazing.

I honestly can't believe it. To have fought this far against a national level team...



Eh?



Teams that advance at the Koshien, when they have an opponent they can take 20 runs from, try to take 25.

If they think of taking it easy even once, it's the beginning of their downfall.



A team that gets negligent in a practice match wouldn't be able to win all the way to the national level.



Then, right now too...?



Of course, they came to win.

*TL NOTE: KANSJII-SEN IS THE GUILLOT SPACED IN THE KANSJII BRIGION. WHICH IS NOT WHERE THE AOMORI PREFECTURE IS. THAT'S WHY SPOKE IS SUBPERSO.

IF WE LOSE
TO A WEAK
TEAM LIKE
THIS, WE
WON'T BE
ABLE TO
GO BACK
TO AOMORI!!

FIRST,
A TIE!!
LET'S
KEEP
PUSHING!!

ALRIGHT,
WE GOT A
RUNNER!!







*I have no
choice...
Let's go
with plan
B...*



*Whatever
my basis is,
I can't
approach this
light-hears-ally!*

*Wait,
but what if
he's really
waiting for a
 fastball...?*



*A slider,
in and low.
It might even
be a ball.*

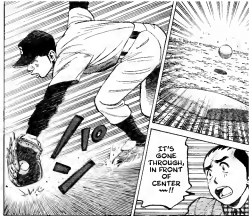


*If he's waiting for
a breaking ball like I was,
even if he senses it's a
ball, he'll still swing.*



Geh, too easy!!









*They
got us
...!!*



**WE'RE
TIED-!!**



**AW-
RIGHT
-!!**



*As
expected,
a national
level team
doesn't
make mis-
takes.*

**LET'S
BRING
IT!!**



**THAT'S
RIGHT,
WE'RE
STILL
EVEN
!!**



**WE
HAVEN'T
LOST
YET!!**



*This is
the national
level...*





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TEAM	一	二	三	四	五	六	七	八	九	十	十一	十二	計	S B O
SUNSHINE	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	HEI
ARMORALL	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	2	



It's awesome, even if it's a lie.



Obviously. It's against the second place school from last summer.



Yeah, you're really something.

You did well, everyone.









That's pretty rough.



We actually lost 4 to 2.



Two runs behind?

...So this means that in today's game...



If we don't have the strength to overturn such games and win, then there's no way we can go to the Koshien!!

Down right.



We tied a champion school in their series mode, so you might say it'll give us self-confidence ...



But, didn't you say to yourself, *katagaya-san!* That the opponent also came here seriously aiming to win?















Listen, if you want to make a pass at a girl, you can't be clingy. If you keep saying "I love you, I love you", she'll feel pressured and run away. That's how they are.

It's impossible with that kind of personality.



Do you have a girlfriend?

Not



Do you have a girlfriend?

It's about women again.



But you know, it was fun. Just like Ikushi said.

Baseball is the same. You can't be too clingy, you got it?



Well, although I'm a step above him, we used to play in the same senior league before I went to Tsogaru.



Although he said he would go to a local high school... Well, I'm not the one to talk about that...



Akashi?
You mean the Akashi from Virgin Mary?
You know him?



Although they say that ~~about~~ all our members are from Kansai, we're not the whole team. It's actually fifty-fifty with the locals.



En?



By the way, do you find it strange that we have all the Kansai guys even though we're from Aomori?



Although it probably won't happen.



If I see Akashi there, I'll tell him about you.

We have a practice match against Virgin Mary tomorrow.















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There's one week left until the final match of the spring prefectural tournament.

Won't you come?
It's time to cheer
for us...





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Chapter 81: The Night Before the Tournament

...Kunihashi-kun,
help yourself,
right?

Yes.

1-37-2



So you're
not coming
to practice
or to cheer
for us
anyone







The home run
you hit at the last
tournament in the
third year of
middle school,
Fuko-chan...



You hit it
right out of the
big municipal ball
park... You wouldn't
expect a middle
schooler to
hit so big.





That's
because you
have to inherit
this clinic,
Fuku-chan.
It'll be tough
from now on...



As for me,
I've finally
started
to enjoy
baseball.



But I still
think it's a
waste for
you to quit.



My view
of baseball
has changed
since Poppo
came here.



I
GOT
IT!

THE
RUNNER
IS OFF.
IT'S A HIT
AND RUN.

A hit and
run here...

Like when
I watch baseball
on TV at home,
I naturally start
predicting the
next play...



Isn't it
amazing
if

Even when I listen to
the radio, I can now
imagine the pitcher's
placement of pitches,
or the positions of
defenders.





And if you're playing, if you can't be number one in that position...

Baseball is interesting when you play it yourself. There's no meaning if you don't play as a regular member.



How is it interesting to watch others play?



If you're not number one... Haven't you been influenced by Poppo too, Fuko-chan?



That's the same thing Poppo thinks.

HUH!!





Go home.



I'll be waiting.



I'VE QUIT
BASEBALL
ALREADY!!

LEAVE
ME
ALONE
~!!



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Imagine it.

A Passball,
or a breaking
ball, which
course it'll
take.

Imagine
it well, and
swing.



Outside
and low
...Slider.





Ramkawa,
where did
your betted
bet Py?

It was
a long hit
past the
first base
line!



YES!

Then you
have to run.
You're
probably
going for
the second
base, aren't
you?



Please don't
mess around.
We have a
match to play
tomorrow!

There
should be
a limit even
to being
a dog.

We
were
off.



OH?



The real battle
begins from
tomorrow's first
match of the
prefectural
tournament.

I told you this
before. The block
preliminaries
were the
rehearsal.



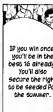


If you
play like you
normally do,
you will
certainly
win the game
tomorrow.

But you
don't need
to worry.
Right now
you have the
power to
be in the
best 16.



Now,
how to
win...



It's
because
Ramenkawa
drew a good
lot for us.

If you win once,
you'll be in the
best 16 already.
You'll also
secure the right
to be seeded for
the quarter.



THAT
WILL CREATE
THE METHOP
BY WHICH
SAIGAKU
WILL WIN!!

From now on,
concentrate
on the way
to win!



And For
GMS...



And For
GMS...



Each
individual
play is
important.



There's
no need for
flashy or
special
techniques!

Play
carefully
and
properly,
without any
mistakes!

Do the
things you
can reliably!





How am I
gentle?
I told them
the hardest
thing ever.



Don't make
mistakes.
Get a
perfect
score.



Er?



It's useless
to tell them
something
like that...

Oh,
no...



During
exams, do
you also
tell your
students to
make sure
to get the
perfect
score?





From now on,
the match is
about who
doesn't make
mistakes.



The most
difficult thing
is to do what
you can
reliably.



Starting at a
certain level,
the winner is
the one who
makes fewer
mistakes.



As for
tomorrow's
game...
I wonder if
we can get
the perfect
score...

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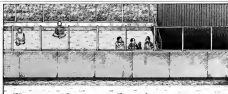






TEAM		1	2	3	4	5	
●	Enter						
○	Transfer						
4	5	6	7	8	9		
○	○	○	○	○	○		PL
8	1	3	5	4	2		武
小	金	根	河	大	飯		田
野	子	田	野	沢	田		田











LET'S
BRING
IT!

SPEAKING!



TWO
OUTS,
ALRIGHT?!



Go these
Yowman
guys, they're
all pretty
small.



Who's
this
No. 11?

Is the
starting
pitcher
this
cheap
and?



TEAM 1

Oke
Trade

Virgin
Mary



SHOJI TADASHI / TADASHI



HOW IS IT
GOING, ARE
YOU ABLE
TO RECORD
PROPERLY?





Because there's a lot that bothers me. About this school.



I can't believe you agreed to help us, Akato-san.



And that you said if you're going, it had to be the Virgin Mary watch....



This man is just...

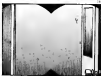


How about we grab something to eat after this is over?



She works for
a manufacturer,
so she might be out
selling her company's
products...
But surely not in the
middle of a game...

Just
now...
Was
that Riki
Natsuko
...?









CENTER,
THROW
BACK
HOME!!





Do what I can
remember! I can
see an opening in
the opponent's
defense now, so
I'll stay there
without fail!



Looking good,
Isn't it
a perfect
score
so far?



KEEP IT
GOING,
TAKE-
SHIT!



Right now, it's Kasugano Dai's ninth offense.

How is it going over there?

Can you imagine, they're losing 2-0!!

No matter how famous a school is, it doesn't mean they'll do good every year. They're about to lose to some unknown Yuumeikan from Chichibu!

How are we doing?

Ehhh??



A 7-0
called game.
Our total
victory.







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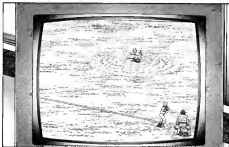
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Chapter 83: Vice Versa



A
submarine
pitcher,
Auh...



Chicago
Roverman's
seal, seal,
Shindell









Did they just let them
do this squeeze bunt
here, did the first
and third base change
forward well enough,
what was the third
base runner's start
like...?



**BUT IT'S FINE,
THESE ARE
ALL MINOR
PETALS!! IN
SHORT, PAEI
LOST BECAUSE
THEY LET THEIR
GUARD DOWN!!**



You're so
different from
the useless
fatig over
there...

These are
the kinds
of things I
wanted to
know...



**THEY UNDER-
ESTIMATE A
NEWCOMER
PLAYING FOR
ONLY THEIR
SECOND YEAR,
AND GOT
TRIPPED UP!!**



Owwya-san,
please
don't get
so excited

You're
about
to start
training
here.







*It's not just
the Flowers
way they took
the lead early*

...



*They had
five double
plays in one
match...*



Yes...?



Wasei.





They are based
off the Matsukoto
Panthers, a boy's
hard ball team
that reached the
best of nationally
five years ago.

And two years ago,
when Youwaikan
was established,
all those members
were recruited
to join the
baseball club.

Basically,
that team
was in the
senior
League



What's
that
about
...?

Matsukoto
Pan-
thers?







Their coach
is also the
former coach
of the
Matsumoto
Panthers.

Exactly.

His name is Takagawa
Shouchiro. He's 32. After
graduating from college,
he spent two years as
the Matsumoto Panthers
assistant coach, and then
six years as coach, and
presently he's a faculty
member at Chichibu
Towanken...



Is that
even
allowed
...?



That coach
is also a
pretty
unique
character







So
basically,
this means
he's not
afraid of
losing...















BECAUSE
WE'RE
GOING
TO THE
KOSHUEN
-!!



AND THE
REASON
IS!!



AIM
FOR!!



NUMBER
ONE!!

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Chapter 84: Enter a Formidable Foe



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Your ace
Hodaka-kun's
fastballs are
quite intense.



This guy...
He came to
shake me up
before the
match. It's
something
I would
do...



The catcher
Yashio-kun
excels at mixing
itches, and not
to mention your
cleanup batter,
Oomaya-kun...



Hsden, I'm so
envious, all your
kids are so
diligent and
obedient.

And what
about you,
you've been
playing with
practically the
same members
for eight years,
you're like a
family now,
like close
friends.





It's like
our match
has started
before the
game itself.

Oh my,
you've gone
to the trouble
of researching
us.



But it's fine.
Even if we
lose, I believe
we will gain
something
from it.



Besides
...



If you keep winning
and advancing from here,
it will have an effect on
the summer. Wouldn't it
be a problem to reveal
all your cards to the
top class teams in the
prefecture...?



Don't you think so too, Matogaya-san?



You haven't changed into your uniform yet?

Coach, we have to go already.

Ohh, sorry. I'm coming now.











But
it's just
started.

I have
a biased
feeling
about
this.



Katagawa
said we can't
let our guard
down against
this opponent.



He's the
fastest on
their team...
If he gets on
base, we're
in trouble.

BOTTOM OF
THE FIRST.
YUUMEIKAN ON
THE OFFENSE
BATTING FIRST,
RIGHT FIELDER
UEDA-KUN.















FIRST!



He's not just
Fast, he's got
technique too.

What are
you saying
to them our
base got
stolen so
easily.

He's read
Shokun's
motion
completely...

HE
KNEW





I've seen
this match in that
video, it's the
same as the Daily
game... If that's
the case, then
a squeeze
is next...?



That's
what
they call
a pinch.

One out,
runner on third
& fly to the
outfield, and
they have
a run.

They
advanced
easily
again
now.



Once the
defense
is as a
preclusion
against a
squeeze?



They're
in a good
mood...

But aren't
they a bit
soft, playing
according to
my expecta-
tions?



BATTING
THIRD-
SHORT-
STOP
SUWA-
KUN.



Be, just
be ready
for a
normal
back
home
play.

センター

CENTER!!

Okay, it's shallow. In this case, he won't even score...

Should we let him hit...? If he manages to easily hit a fly to the outfield off Kikaku's pitch, then this third batter also bears watching...

BACK HOME !!



WITH THAT
SHALLOW
FLY BALL...!!?
WHAT KIND
OF CRAZY
SPEED IS
THAT!!?



What
an un-
pleasant
bitch
now



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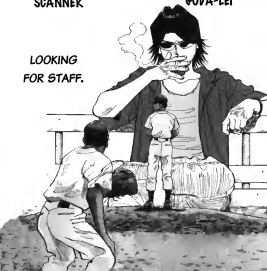
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Chapter 85: Fight the Submarine Pitch!









Our record is seven double plays in one game. Are we going for a new one?

It's a good place, isn't it?



What are you talking about? You can't get a double play without runners getting on base. Do you expect Shmacks to shoulder the burden of runners on base every inning, Coach?



Aren't we going to be number 1?

You're the one who should be more serious, Coach!



I know. Don't get so serious, Captain.



Can you stop making fun of me?

You've been too serious ever since Little League, but lately you've polished it even further, Ida-Aun.





Isn't it
a sinker?



What about you,
Takeshi? Have
you ever seen
a sinker...?

When I was in
the Okayama
Trade Academy,
in a practice
match...

Only
once.



A
sinker?



That is the
first time
I've seen
one.

So
that's a
sinker...



Yeah.
So even you
have pitched
you can't
hit.



No, it's like
I let it go by,
or couldn't
swing at all.



Were
you able
to hit it?

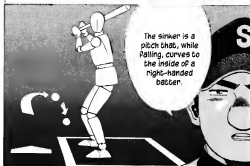


Then
shouldn't
he
just
give up
hope?

So it's
a pitch
even
takeshi
can't
hit?



But
at least
I know the
theory of
how to
hit it!









YOU DIDN'T
IMMERSE
YOURSELF IN
TAKESHI'S
EXPLANATION,
SO
IT WAS OUT
OF THE
QUESTION!!

IT'S
JUST A
BAD
EXAMPLE!

THIS
ONE
WASN'T
GOOD
AT
ALL!!

TEAM				
Saigaku		0	0	0
Yuumeikan		1	0	









STRIKE
OUT!!



Moreover, we
keep getting
infielders... Seven
out of nine...

It's that
quick first
baseman...



We got us
good left
time. But I
won't let it
happen this
time!



This is
perfect,
you
bastard!







*The match
will be decided
by who scores
the next run!*



*But honestly,
for our current
lineup breaking
that pitcher
would be very
difficult.*





If you keep winning and advancing from here, it will have an effect on the summer. Wouldn't it be a problem to reveal all your cards to the top class teams in the prefecture...?



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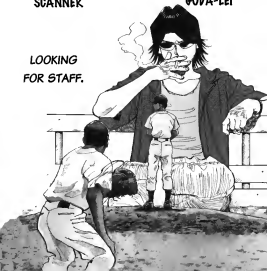
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TEAM

Saigaku

0000

Yamukitau

1000

We
understand
the cause.
It's that
pitch.

Our team
is hitless through
the fourth inning. Even
if we get a runner on
base, they do a double
play, and we can't
even begin our
counteroffensive...

Chapter 86: Takeshi's Example



*We won't
achieve a
breakthrough
until we can
hit that
sinker!!*



*I'll be an
example to
everyone!*



**THERE'S
NO
PITCH
THAT
YOU
CAN'T
HIT!!**

**WE'RE
COUNT-
ING ON
YOU,
TAKESHI
-!!**



**HIT
IT ALL
THE
WAY
INTO
THE
STANDS
!!**



*Well, it's his
second at
bat, and he's
the cleanup,
so it's only
natural...*

*Is he going
to target
my sinker
now...?*

During his first at bat
he let the slider go by
and it was a strikeout...
We don't know what kind
of a strategy he came
up with afterward...



Let's check
how good with
the slider
pattern is
today, huh.



Some
stars
are
lost
time...

A fastball
to the
chest
to shake
up my
body...



BALL!



The next
one is
low...



I'm
dying
so fast

A slider!
In order to
enable a
slider...



SHI-!!



...That
was
quick.

YES!



HE HIT
HIM-
SELF!

OUCH
IT



HEY,
SOMEONE!
GET THE
COOLING
SPRAY.



The first
and second
pitches
were the
power dot
in my last
at bat...

Which
means
the next
one...



I'm
alright,
Steve.



I guess
he's used
to being
a golfer.



He doesn't
need it...
His warty
side is
so cute.





Now that
it's two strikes,
he's thinking that
we'll definitely
fight him with
a sinker next.







But if you want to decide it with a single pitch, then throw a low one as hard as you can.



I understand. You just want to resolve this quickly.











SO YOU
CAN HIT
IT LIKE
THAT!!

HE HIT
THE
SHOOTER
JUST
LIKE HE
SAID HE
WOULD!!

THAT'S
OUR
TAKESHI!!
HE'S A
MAN OF
HIS
WORD!!

Well,
the
result
was
alright.

So was a
blooper.
Go home,
Takeshi.

What
example
...?

EVERYONE,
FOLLOW HIS
EXAMPLE!!









And after
Takeshi
finally made
an opening
for us...

They got
another
double
play on
us!!!

ALRIGHT,
GOOD
ONE,
SHIRA-
OKA!!

It was
a slider
just now

So does
this mean
no one but
Takeshi
can do
it now?

Well, he
probably
didn't have
the confidence
he'd hit the
sinker either.

Whereas
Kawaguchi was
passive, waiting
was too much
for him, so he
consciously hit
it where they
wanted him to.

Takeshi didn't
simply wait for
the sinker, he
dragged it out
of them.

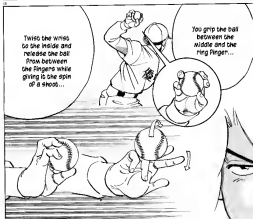
Is the
sinker
really
such an
unbeatable
pitch?



To put it
another way, for
a submarine or a
side arm pitcher,
there's no other
breaking ball
they can rely
on as much.



It
certainly
is trouble-
some.



Twist the wrist
to the inside and
release the ball
from between
the fingers while
giving it the spin
of a shot...

You grip the ball
between the
middle and the
ring finger...



Natogaya-san...
If you don't lay all
your cards on the
table, you won't
score a single run.



The bastard...!!
So he wants to
see us inside
and out no
matter what...

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BOTTOM
OF THE 5TH,
CHICHIJU
YUUMEIKAN
ON OFFENSE.
BATTING
SEVENTH,
CENTER,
SHISA-KUN.

Chapter 87: Points Taken Off!?



TEAM	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
学	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
明館	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
6	7	8	9									



If we want
to decide the
match in the
endgame, we
have to restrict
them to three
batters here....

TN
Yumelkan

9
Ueda

4
Shino

The essential one
is the first batter,
Ueda. ...We have to
make sure his turn
doesn't come
this inning.

If that
happens, we're
guaranteed
a run. Given
Grindora's
pitching
today...

If we get
one runner
on base,
Ueda's turn
will come.

Sag, Iida
Do you think
this inning will
decide the
game?











Errr,
a strike-
out.



How did
the next
batter do
on his last
at bat?



One out,
runner on
second...



He couldn't
connect with
Waka-san's
fastballs at all.



Our
problem
starts
now...



It's true that
we're in a
pinch, but the
next batter is
the ninth one...
What is he so
troubled by...?



It doesn't
look like they
purposefully
put a good
batter ninth to
throw us off
our guard...







The problem is
the next batter,
Ueda... He's fast
enough to turn
even a grounder
to the infield into
a good hit...



If we want to deal
Ueda's speed, we
should walk the
pitcher and
load the bases in
front of him...

Even if we get
two outs, runner on
third, if there's a
safe hit to the infield,
they score a run...
That all but decided
the match...



Poppo,
your face
is really
scary.



On one out,
runner's on
first and
second?

Two outs,
runner on
third?

Won't it be bad
if you show
all your cards to
the top teams in
the prefecture?



It's alright
if we lose.
I believe that
we'll be able to gain
something from it.



The kids aren't thinking about anything other than the current game anyway.



Hey-hey,
go back
already.

*It is still
spring
now...*



A voice?

March
7



That
was
close.

I
can't
win
it.

*If I told them
how to prevent
the next run,
I'd be clearly
laying my cards
on the table.*









We can
fight him,
right?



Or will
they
check
him out
first
...?

What will they
try next? Are
they going to
avoid a fight
against
Usada...?





*Every
single play is
important.*

*There's no need
for flashy or
special plays!*

*That's right!
My duty is to
catch batted balls
in my zone of
defense and
reliably put
runners out.*

*But do
what you
can do
reliably!*









It's
because we
weathered
a dangerous
situation
well.

It's so rare
for you to
be honestly
happy,
Poppo.



AW-RIGHT,
NICE PLAY,
HASU-
NUMA!!



That's good
practice we
got from you,
Tanigawa-kun.

So you've
learned
from your
previous
error...
You're not
bad at all.



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